HOUSE RESOLUTION 398

By Faulkner

A RESOLUTION to recognize Donna Needham Christopher on the occasion of her retirement.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this legislative body should honor those citizens who have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm throughout their years of industry; and

WHEREAS, Donna Needham Christopher is one such estimable person who has served with distinction for forty-two years as a teacher and who will be taking a much-deserved retirement this year; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of Horace Maynard High School, Ms. Christopher attended Carson-Newman before earning her degree in Home Economics from the University of Tennessee; she completed her master's degree at Union College; and

WHEREAS, she has taught Home Economics, now known as Family Consumer Science, for forty-two years, first at Horace Maynard High School and then at Union County High School; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Christopher is an active and important part of her community and her profession, participating in numerous worthy organizations, including UCEA, TEA, and NEA, and lending her support to the Delta Kappa Gamma Society for Women Educators; and

WHEREAS, throughout her exemplary tenure, Ms. Christopher has also contributed her time and numerous talents to sponsoring FHA, now known as FCCLA, and attending many conferences and conventions; she has served as class sponsor, a member of prom committees, and senior class sponsor, in which capacity she planned graduation exercises and the senior brunch and chaperoned the senior class trip to Daytona Beach, Florida; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Christopher exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean, and she has been an inspiring and integral part of the lives of many young people for forty-two years; and

WHEREAS, throughout her estimable career, Donna Christopher has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of her colleagues; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we extend to Donna Needham Christopher our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and every continued success in her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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